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MEMORANDUM

TO: Intermediate School District Superintendents
Michigan Association of Intermediate School Administrators

FROM: Michael P. Flanagan 

DATE: October 21, 2005

SUBJECT: Title I Grant for Intensive Assistance to Critical List Schools

On October 11, 2005, the State Board of Education approved criteria for a Title I technical assistance grant of \$175,000 to provide intensive, year-long assistance to the 23 schools on the attached list that have been identified in coordination with the Governor's Office as being on the "critical list" for 2005-06.

The entities that are eligible to apply for this grant are: 1) intermediate school districts, 2) consortia of intermediate school districts, and 3) organizations representing intermediate school districts. A single grant will be awarded to one eligible applicant to provide assistance to all 23 schools.

The grantee will be responsible for the following activities:

- Providing an expert evaluation team for each school to conduct a program audit and prepare a report of findings
- Coordinating the work of technical assistance teams that will determine each school's needs and provide year-long support to address these needs
- Identifying a turn-around specialist for each school to provide intensive direction and assistance
- Planning and conducting meetings for the technical assistance teams and turn-around specialists
- Submitting quarterly progress reports and a final report describing the results of the assistance activities

If you would like to apply for this grant, please submit a budget and work plan no later than November 15, 2005 to Dr. Yvonne Caamal Canul, Director, Office of School Improvement, Michigan Department of Education, Post Office Box 30008, Lansing, MI 48909. If you have questions, please contact Dr. Caamal Canul at (517) 241-3147.

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2005-06 Critical List Schools

District	School	Phase
Albion	Washington Gardner Middle	4
Benton Harbor	Hull Middle	4
Buena Vista	Ricker Middle	4
Detroit	Barbara Jordan	4
	McNair Technical Middle	4
	Cerveney Middle	5
	Cleveland Middle	5
	Drew Middle	5
	Emerson Middle	5
	Joy Middle	5
	Pitcher Elementary	5
	Barbour Middle	6
	Coffey Middle	6
	Harding Elementary	6
	McMichael Middle	6
	Murphy Middle	6
	Post Middle	6
Flint	Holmes Middle	5
	Whittier Middle	5
Jackson	Amy Firth Middle*	4
Muskegon	Steele Middle	4
Muskegon Heights	Muskegon Heights Middle	4
Taylor	Charles Brake Middle	4

*Self-Reported in the AYP Compliance Packet they are not Title I.